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Preamble

We, the KNIGHTS OF THE CRYSTAL BLADE, in order to formalize the organization of our union, secure the perpetual integrity of our principles, and facilitate the effective accomplishment of our present and future objectives, do hereby establish this CODIFIED CONSTITUTION as the supreme governing authority of our ORDER, *subject to the will of the God of Israel*, and do hereby pledge that we shall always endeavor to conduct the affairs of our ORDER in accordance therewith, as we shall be directed by the Holy Spirit of God, which we pray, in the name of His Son, Jesus Christ, that He may grant unto us in great abundance! Amen.



FIRST KNIGHT
12 November 2016



SECOND KNIGHT
12 November 2016

The Order

§ 1.1.—The KNIGHTS OF THE CRYSTAL BLADE (referred to in short form as the “ORDER”) is a fraternal order that was formally organized on Saturday, 12 November 2016, at 9:15 PM MST, at a meeting held in an undisclosed region of wilderness in the State of Utah.

1.2.—In an effort to compensate for the wickedness and consequent neutralization of God’s covenant people in these latter days, and in an effort to prepare for the impending fulfillment of God’s promises with regard to His immeasurable judgments and blessings, the KNIGHTS OF THE CRYSTAL BLADE have voluntarily united themselves together in an organized capacity—not in obedience to any explicit commandment or revelation from God, but in accordance with that passage of scripture wherein God says that “it is not meet that I should command in all things,” and that “men should be anxiously engaged in a good cause,

and do many things of their own free will, and bring to pass much righteousness: for the power is in them, wherein they are agents unto themselves,” etc.

1.3.—The legitimate purposes for which the ORDER exists are, firstly, so that it may serve the individual and collective wants, needs, and interests of the Elect of God with regard to their temporal and spiritual progress, in accordance with those prophecies regarding their future destiny upon this earth, and in accordance with the word of God in general; and, secondly, so that it may serve the individual and collective wants, needs, and interests of the KNIGHTS themselves, also in accordance with the word of God, thereby empowering them with greater effectiveness than they could otherwise achieve on their own in serving God with an eye single to His glory, and in triumphing over all of their enemies and putting them under their feet.

1.4.—The ORDER is intended to be of temporary duration. When the remnants of Jacob have been reconciled to God, and Zion has been redeemed by the power of God, and the Kingdom of the Devil has been overthrown and replaced by the Kingdom of God, then shall the ORDER be abolished and its Constitution be annulled (unless God should direct otherwise), it having been superseded by things that are infinitely better. In the interim, so long as it proves useful to those who look forward to the day of victory, the ORDER shall remain, and may God bless it with purity, security, and prosperity! And should it ever become destructive to its legitimate ends, may God curse it and destroy it! Amen.

Symbolism

§ 2.1.—The name of the ORDER, the “KNIGHTS OF THE CRYSTAL BLADE,” is meant to symbolize a body of godly men who are organized and united in their efforts to serve God with an eye single to His glory—a body of men who inspire the Elect of God unto greater faith and righteousness, and who instill fear into the hearts of those who fight

against the servants of God—a body of men who exude a positive and cheerful energy, coupled with perfect confidence in God, because their hearts are pure, and because of the Rock upon which they are built—a body of men who stand in these last days as a light that shineth in the darkness, even as a city upon a hill, or as a candle on a candlestick, or as a beacon of hope amidst a wasteland of confusion and despair—a body of men who uplift the downtrodden, and who defend and protect the innocent—a body of men who strengthen the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees, and encourage those that are of fearful heart—a body of men who are willing to bear the burdens of others, and mourn with those that mourn, and comfort those that stand in need of comfort—a body of men who stand as witnesses of God at all times, and in all things, and in all places—a body of men who tire not, and who will never rest from their labors until the work of God is finished—a body of men who are willing to live for God, and, if necessary, to die for God—a body of men who are fixed and immovable in their course, and in their loyalty to God, even unto the very end. Amen.

2.2.—The term “KNIGHT” is meant to symbolize a selfless servant of God who is constantly striving for perfection in all of the attributes of godliness, even a servant of God who can wield the CRYSTAL BLADE with extraordinary strength, power, skill, and effectiveness.

2.3.—The term “CRYSTAL BLADE” is meant to symbolize the word of God in its capacity as the sole power through which the KNIGHTS of the ORDER should accomplish every good work. More specifically, the term “CRYSTAL” is meant to symbolize the order, harmony, consistency, clarity, and perfection of the word of God, while the term “BLADE” (which is a reference to both the blade of a sword and the blade of a key) is meant to symbolize the power of the word of God by which one can overcome all evil and destructive forces, and by which one can unlock their innate potential for achieving eternal progress and happiness.

2.4.—The logo of the ORDER, which immediately follows this paragraph, is meant, as a whole, to symbolize the strength and power of the ORDER, in connection with those things that are symbolized by the indi-

vidual elements of the logo. The triangle in the logo symbolizes the God of Israel. The twelve stars in the logo symbolize the House of Israel. The sword in the logo symbolizes the CRYSTAL BLADE, which is explained in the previous paragraph. The eye in the logo symbolizes intelligence and vigilance. The name of the ORDER that appears beneath the triangle in the logo may be entirely omitted from facsimiles of the logo in cases where it is stylistically appropriate to do so; otherwise, the logo shall not be reproduced except in its true and unmodified form. The logo shall not be used for any reason whatsoever without first obtaining the explicit approval of the FIRST KNIGHT.



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General Governance

§ 3.1.—The ORDER shall be governed by its members (i.e., the KNIGHTS) in accordance with this CODIFIED CONSTITUTION, and in accordance with the word of God, under the guidance and direction of the Holy Ghost, and in a spirit of total humility.

3.2.—The members of the ORDER shall be organized according to a linear ranking system, which is as follows: Each member's rank shall be specified and represented using an ordinal number (e.g., "FIRST," "SECOND," "THIRD," etc.). Lower numbers represent higher ranks, while higher numbers represent lower ranks. The official title of each member consists of his rank followed by the word "KNIGHT" (e.g., "FIRST KNIGHT," "SECOND KNIGHT," "THIRD KNIGHT," etc.). No two members shall occupy the same rank at the same time. One's rank in the ORDER is synonymous with the level of one's authority in the ORDER. The highest-ranked member in the ORDER, who holds the highest level of authority in the ORDER, is the "FIRST KNIGHT."

3.3.—All final decisions regarding which ranks shall be occupied by which KNIGHTS shall be made by the FIRST KNIGHT only, whereas those KNIGHTS who are of a lower rank may only offer unto the FIRST KNIGHT their suggestions and counsel in relation thereto. The FIRST KNIGHT may reorganize the KNIGHTS within the ranking system at any time and for any reason.

3.4.—Any claims of either rank or membership that cannot be substantiated by what is published in the ORDER'S official directory shall be considered spurious. It is the duty of the FIRST KNIGHT to maintain such a publication for the purpose of complying with this paragraph.

3.5.—Those of higher rank may command those of lower rank with regard to the execution of their duties as members of the ORDER, so long as said commands do not contradict anything of higher authority. Any command that is given in contradiction to higher authority is invalid and non-binding. The highest authority in this respect is the word of God,

followed by this CODIFIED CONSTITUTION, followed by the KNIGHTS themselves in order of their respective ranks.

3.6.—Those of a lower rank shall always have the right to give suggestions, counsel, and reproof unto those of a higher rank, but their words are not officially binding.

3.7.—In all cases of disagreement or conflict that may arise between two or more KNIGHTS, it shall be the right of any one of those who are involved to appeal to higher authority for the sake of resolution. There is no right of appeal, however, above the authority of the FIRST KNIGHT.

3.8.—Members of the ORDER should not explicate or imply any official connection between the ORDER itself and their own personal words and actions that fall outside the scope of their official duties.

3.9.—For the purpose of protecting the ORDER, each KNIGHT shall consider himself personally responsible for any negative consequences that are caused by his own personal words and actions.

3.10.—The FIRST KNIGHT is the exclusive mouthpiece of the ORDER. The right to publish official content through any medium using the name and logo of the ORDER belongs exclusively to the FIRST KNIGHT. To modify the text of this CODIFIED CONSTITUTION, however,—in terms of deletions, replacements, or additions—shall require the unanimous approval of all members of the ORDER. Any modifications to the CODIFIED CONSTITUTION in contradiction to the requirements of this paragraph shall be considered invalid and non-binding.

Duties of Membership

§ 4.1.—Every KNIGHT of the ORDER, in his capacity as an individual person, shall constantly strive for nothing less than celestial perfection, meaning that he shall labor diligently to acquire, maintain, and perfect himself in all of the attributes of godliness, through the name, law, and power of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who is, Himself, the perfect standard, He having illustrated by His own personal example a fullness

of all godly attributes, which He always maintained in perfect balance, manifesting each attribute always at the appropriate time, and always to the appropriate degree.

4.2.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should be full of charity, which is the pure love of Christ, and the greatest of all godly attributes. Firstly, and most importantly, he should love God with all of his heart, might, mind, and strength; and, secondly, he should love his neighbor as himself.

4.3.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should serve God with an eye single to His glory. He should be pure in heart. He should be selfless, generous, and kind. He should be meek, sympathetic, compassionate, merciful, forgiving, and slow to judge. He should be just and fair. He should be humble before God, and fully submissive to His will, even as a little child. He should be full of gratitude, recognizing the hand of God in all things. He should be willing to make any sacrifice for God, and should always be willing to act for the greater good as God sees it.

4.4.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should repent of his sins in accordance with the laws of God. He should offer unto God a broken heart and a contrite spirit. He should be full of faith and hope. He should be cheerful and full of positive energy. He should be full of confidence in the promises and power of God. He should be full of the Holy Ghost.

4.5.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should be obedient unto every commandment of God. He should live by every word which proceedeth forth out of the mouth of God. He should be moral, virtuous, and chaste. He should be full of honesty, integrity, diligence, resolve, valor, and courage. He should be loyal and trustworthy. He should be vigilant and prayerful. He should be full of the Spirit of discernment.

4.6.—A KNIGHT of the Order should place his full trust in God, and never in the arm of flesh. He should be full of patience, and should always accept God's timing and providence. He should be mature, and of stable mind and character. He should not be easily offended or provoked. He should be a peacemaker. He should be temperate and moderate. He should be full of self-discipline, and should bridle all of his passions. He should be reasonable and rational, and never motivated exclusively by

his emotions. He should not be carnally minded, but should put off the natural man, and yield instead unto the enticings of the Holy Spirit.

4.7.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should be sober, reverent, polite, well-mannered, respectful, courteous, and considerate. He should avoid all light-mindedness, loud laughter, and evil speaking of the Lord's anointed. He should be orderly, clean, and comely. He should be intelligent, wise, and sagacious. He should be independent, self-reliant, thrifty, and conservative. He should be competent, skillful, strong, effective, and efficient.

4.8.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should foster by his words and by his actions a Zion-like culture of nobility, dignity, and excellence that encompasses every minute aspect of life—nothing less than a culture of celestial perfection and godliness.

4.9.—A KNIGHT should devote as much of his time, talents, and means to the ORDER as possible without neglecting other important responsibilities in his life. He should earnestly strive to maintain an appropriate balance in this respect, which may require much counsel, prayer, and revelation.

4.10.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should seek to govern those that are of a lower rank than himself by way of example, by way of principle, and by way of counsel, giving commandments only when necessary. If it is not meet that God should command in all things, then it is especially not meet that a KNIGHT should command in all things. A KNIGHT's manner of governance should foster initiative rather than slothfulness.

4.11.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should obey all valid and righteous commands that are given unto him by those who are of a higher authority than himself. He should disobey all invalid or unrighteous commands, in a spirit of meekness and humility, while making an earnest effort to resolve the disagreement peacefully if it is at all possible.

4.12.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should offer his counsel and reproof unto another member whenever it would be beneficial to do so, even unto one who is of a higher rank—but it should always be done in a spirit of humility, motivated by love and by a genuine concern for his

welfare, and for the welfare of the ORDER, and for the welfare of the Elect of God, and for the sake of truth and righteousness.

4.13.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should hearken unto all righteous counsel, regardless of its source, and should receive all reproof with humility and gratitude, regardless of its source.

4.14.—A KNIGHT of the ORDER should actively seek for and create opportunities to bring about the realization of the ORDER’s progress and objectives, in accordance with the legitimate purposes for which the ORDER exists. He should be self-motivated in this regard, and should not require the constant direction of his superiors.

New Memberships

§ 5.1.—Membership in the ORDER is by invitation only, and should not be granted upon request. Those who request membership may be considered as candidates for future invitation, but such cases should be handled with caution.

5.2.—An offer of membership shall be extended unto a candidate by the FIRST KNIGHT only (preferably in person), but only after he obtains the unanimous approval of all existing members of the ORDER, in the form of a written document that bears each one of their signatures. New memberships that are granted without said approval shall be considered invalid by all existing members of the ORDER. Those who became members of the ORDER at the ceremony of its initial establishment on 12 November 2016 are naturally exempt from the laws that are contained in this paragraph.

5.3.—Membership shall only be offered to a given candidate after he has consistently and sufficiently demonstrated by his spirit, personality, words, and actions that he would be capable of effectively executing the duties of a KNIGHT of the ORDER, with the added conditions that, firstly, his personal circumstances would not significantly hinder him from rendering the service that would be required of him, regardless

of his personal worthiness, and secondly, that his prospective connection with the ORDER would not diminish its noble reputation in the minds of the elect, or be a cause of unnecessary controversy with the wicked. Although it cannot be reasonably expected that any prospective KNIGHT would ever fit the bill perfectly, it is nevertheless imperative that membership should only be offered to a given candidate after it has been sufficiently determined, by carefully and prayerfully weighing and considering all relevant facts in the matter, that his prospective contributions to the progress of the ORDER would prove to be a significant net-positive.

5.4.—The acceptance of an offer of membership does not itself bestow membership upon a given candidate. After an offer of membership is accepted, the candidate should be given a copy of this CODIFIED CONSTITUTION, which he should study thoroughly. After the candidate studies this document, the FIRST KNIGHT shall attempt to answer any questions and resolve any concerns the candidate may have. After all questions are answered and all concerns are resolved, if the FIRST KNIGHT is satisfied that it is still appropriate to proceed, and if the candidate still wishes to become a member, a formal meeting shall be held for the purpose of bestowing membership. The FIRST KNIGHT and the candidate for membership must both be in attendance at this meeting. Attendance by other members of the ORDER is optional. During the meeting, the candidate shall be asked by the person conducting the meeting to read aloud the following words:

5.5.—“I, [full name], do solemnly dedicate all of my time, talents, and resources, both now and in the endless future, unto the glory of God. I, [full name], do solemnly pledge unto God that, from this day forward, I shall diligently labor to live by every word that proceedeth forth from His mouth. I, [full name], do solemnly pledge unto the KNIGHTS OF THE CRYSTAL BLADE, that, so long as I am a member of their ORDER, I shall diligently execute the ‘Duties of Membership’ as written in the CODIFIED CONSTITUTION of the ORDER.”

5.6.—After the candidate finishes reading the preceding paragraph,

the person conducting the meeting shall declare unto all of those who are present that the candidate is now an official member of the ORDER.

5.7.—By default, the new member's initial rank shall be the next lowest one in sequence that is not already occupied.

5.8.—New memberships should be recorded as soon as possible in the ORDER's official directory.

Termination of Membership

§ 6.1.—In cases where a member fails to effectively execute his duties, or in cases where it has been determined that retaining an existing membership would prove counterproductive or detrimental to the progress of the order, it may be necessary to revoke said membership.

6.2.—All final decisions regarding the revocation of one's membership shall be made by the FIRST KNIGHT only, whereas those KNIGHTS who are of a lesser rank may only offer unto the FIRST KNIGHT their suggestions and counsel in relation thereto.

6.3.—In all cases where a KNIGHT's membership is called into question, he shall be given the opportunity to defend his membership, either vocally or in writing, prior to the issuance of a final verdict.

6.4.—KNIGHTS may voluntarily resign their own membership at any time by making it known unto the FIRST KNIGHT.

6.5.—A KNIGHT's membership is automatically annulled in the event of his death.

6.6.—The FIRST KNIGHT himself is immune to having his membership terminated except by his own voluntary resignation or by his own personal death.

6.7.—All rights and privileges belonging exclusively to members of the ORDER shall cease immediately for a given KNIGHT upon termination of his membership, regardless of whether that termination was voluntary or involuntary.

6.8.—When the membership of any given KNIGHT is terminated, all

KNIGHTS that are of a lower rank than he is will be automatically moved up one degree in their rank at the very moment of said termination, thus eliminating the possible existence of any interior numerical vacancy.

6.9.—The termination of a membership, and its effects on any rank numbers, should be recorded as soon as possible in the ORDER'S official directory.

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